

IN THE CLAIMS:

The following claims are presented in re-written "clean format":

1. (Twice Amended) A slider comprising:
a slider body;
first and second rails extending in a longitudinal direction along the slider body where
leading edges of said rails are spaced from a leading edge of the slider body;
a first structure having a first depth and extending from a leading edge of the body to
the leading edges of the first and second rails and between the first and second rails;
a second structure having a second depth disposed adjacent to said first structure and
between said first and second rails, said second depth being lower than said first depth; and
wherein said second structure begins more than one-third of the length of the slider
body from the leading edge of the slider body.

6. (Amended) A slider comprising:
a slider body;
first and second rails extending in a longitudinal direction along the slider body;
a first structure having a first height and extending from a leading edge of the body
and between the first and second rails;
a second structure having a second height disposed adjacent to said first structure and
between said first and second rails, said second height being lower than said first height; and
wherein said second structure begins more than one-third of the length of the slider
body from the leading edge of the slider body.

11. (Twice Amended) A head suspension assembly comprising:
a flexure; and
a slider coupled to said flexure, said slider including
a slider body;

first and second rails extending in a longitudinal direction along the slider body where leading edges of said rails are spaced from a leading edge of the slider body;

a first structure having a first depth and extending from a leading edge of the body to the leading edges of the first and second rails and between the first and second rails;

a second structure having a second depth disposed adjacent to said first structure and between said first and second rails, said second depth being lower than said first depth; and

wherein said second structure begins more than one-third of the length of the slider body from the leading edge of the slider body.

16. (Amended) A head suspension assembly comprising:

a flexure;

a slider coupled to said flexure, said slider including

a slider body;

first and second rails extending in a longitudinal direction along the slider body;

a first structure having a first height and extending from a leading edge of the body and between the first and second rails;

a second structure having a second height disposed adjacent to said first structure and between said first and second rails, said second height being lower than said first height; and

wherein said second structure begins more than one-third of the length of the slider body from the leading edge of the slider body.

21. (Twice Amended) A disk drive comprising:

a recording medium adapted to be rotated at a given velocity;

a flexure;

a slider coupled to said flexure and adapted to fly above said recording medium when rotated, the slider including

a slider body;

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first and second rails extending in a longitudinal direction along the slider body where leading edges of said rails are spaced from a leading edge of the slider body;

a first structure having a first depth and extending from a leading edge of the body to the leading edges of the first and second rails and between the first and second rails;

a second structure having a second depth disposed adjacent to said first structure and between said first and second rails, said second depth being lower than said first depth; and

wherein said second structure begins more than one-third of the length of the slider body from the leading edge of the slider body.

26. (Amended) A disk drive comprising:

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a recording medium adapted to be rotated at a given velocity;

a flexure;

a slider coupled to said flexure and adapted to fly above said recording medium when rotated, the slider including

a slider body;

first and second rails extending in a longitudinal direction along the slider body;

a first structure having a first height and extending from a leading edge of the body and between the first and second rails;

a second structure having a second height disposed adjacent to said first structure and between said first and second rails, said second height being lower than said first height; and wherein said second structure begins more than one-third of the length of the slider body from the leading edge of the slider body.